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*Dance For The End Of Hunger  
In The Ballroom Of The El Cortez Hotel*

So much the body knows  
it knows by extension.  
Waivoka danced for ghosts  
to save the plains.  
The Guarani dance still  
night & day to find themselves  
so light they will fly  
out of the Amazon  
to the Land Without Evil.  
& we on conquistador tiles  
dance against famine, thin faces  
blown up & hung from walls.  
Mamba fox-trot pogo bunnyhop,  
one animal after another,  
dancing. Dancing. Dancing.

The Shakers danced to be separate.  
Nijinski danced not to be alone.  
Astaire danced with a hat-rack.  
& we dance in the company of shades,  
women hardly there, men crouching  
like coyotes beneath their own bones.